

**Desert Quail Tolars
Board Meeting
January 8, 2019, 6:00 pm
Wood Fire Grill**

Present:

Heidi Allison, Becky Bolding, Jeannetta Cimo, Sue Clark-Spinks, Shirley Golding, Marilyn Hinman, Annette Lamarre, Janet Mitchell, Elizabeth Murena, Debbie Ragains, Nancy Schatz, Rosanne Scholey, Catherine Schinhofen, Diana Van Riel, Carol Whitton and Ina Zentner.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Carol Whitton, at 6:38 pm.

President: Carol reported she had received a very nice note from Today's Woman Foundation thanking DQT for the generous donation presented at the December Christmas party. Marilyn Hinman also noted a thank you had been received along with a receipt for our donation to Victor Valley Rescue Mission. Carol mentioned she had distributed the 2019 listing of Board and Chapter meeting dates for all to use as a reference going forward. With Molly's Kountry Kitchen no longer open for dinner, Carol noted it had become increasingly more difficult to find a venue for our Board meetings. Debbie Ragains offered her shop for meetings as long as they do not conflict with her class schedule and are held during the day. **This will be an agenda item for discussion at our February Board meeting.** Carol lastly noted she had sent letters for Desert Quail Tolars, as well as Gypsy Tolars to the San Bernardino County Fair confirming both groups participation at the 2019 Fair.

1st Vice President: Rosanne and Heidi reported that Tami Camody will be teaching a very nice glass bowl design at our January meeting. She will be followed in February by Diane Shifflet and Mary Thomas in March.

2nd Vice President: Janet stated we currently have 47 members renewed with 7 yet to renew. Three of our past members will not be renewing due to life changes/moves. She has also contacted those that gave their email addresses at the Holiday Boutique to solicit any interest in joining. She mentioned Susan Longoria will be joining us, but has requested a seat in the front of the room due to a hearing disability.

Secretary: Out-going secretary Rosanne presented the past meeting minutes for approval. With one correction (Nancy Schatz was in attendance), **a motion was made by Marilyn Hinman and seconded by Janet Mitchell to approve the minutes with this correction. Motion passed.**

Treasurer: Marilyn reviewed the 2018 Treasurers Report through December. At year-end, we have an ending balance of \$9,228.29. **A motion was made by Elizabeth Murena and seconded by Rosanne Scholey to approve the report as presented; motion passed.** Marilyn also mentioned that the 2019 budget meeting will be scheduled for next week. She will email all the date once it has been confirmed.

Newsletter Editor: Elizabeth Murena asked that all articles for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter be sent to her by mid-afternoon on January 11, 2019 and in a Word format.

Ways and Means: Diana Van Riel reported that January's Ways and Means would be done by Jeannetta and Diana with Carol Whitton being the Featured Artist. There was a lengthy discussion about whether this should be continued this year as it appears to be in conflict with Quail Eggs and Charity donations. It was decided to allow everyone time, this item would be tabled until the February meeting.

Charities: No report as Linda Howard was not at the meeting. However, it was noted that she has chosen Operation School Bell as her charity this year and will be offering a gift card drawing for all that donate to it.

Christmas Party: Heidi Allison noted that this year's party will be a "mystery" paint-in similar to the one she did a few years ago for Palms to Pines Painters. The location has been secured and the date will be December 7, 2019. Initially no guests will be allowed, but a minimum of 30 people required at a cost of \$20-25 each. This will cover painting, food and gift. Heidi, Janet Mitchell, Elizabeth Murena and Ina Zentner will be handling it. **A motion was made by Rosanne Scholey and seconded by Nancy Schatz to approve their initial plan as presented; motion passed.**

Community Service: Diana Van Riel had nothing to report at this time.

Easter Egg Exchange: Debbie Ragains received many negative comments about the challenges with painting on a round surface. As such, she would like to propose using a 5x7 canvas this year for the Easter Egg Exchange rather than the traditional egg used in the past. **A motion was made by Janet Mitchell and seconded by Rosanne Scholey to approve this change in surface for 2019; motion passed.**

Education: Carol reported that Kim has submitted her January newsletter article.

Fair: Catherine reported she had been in contact with Melody at the San Bernardino County Fair and the Fair will be May 25-June 2, 2019 with the theme of "Create Memories". We will be in the same location as last year in the tent. There was some discussion about doing demonstrations in this location and the challenges it would cause. Catherine will contact the Fair for more specific information before we make a final decision as to whether demonstrations will be held.

Holiday Boutique: Becky and Jeannetta reported the Boutique will be October 25 and 26, 2019 at Jess Ranch...MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND GET PAINTING!

Hospitality: Annette stated we will have a "dessert only" meal before our next Chapter meeting. Coffee, water and tea will be furnished and Annette, Elizabeth Murena and Catherine Schinhofen will provide desserts for the January meeting. Sign-ups for the remaining of 2019 will be sought out at the January meeting with only three per month needed.

Nominations: No report.

October Painting Month: No report

Quail Eggs: No report

Special Raffles: Nothing to report at this time.

Summer Seminar: Judy Westergaard from Canada will be teaching on August 2nd and 3rd. Rosanne passed out submissions from Judy and the group voted on the two they preferred.

Sunshine: Sue reported cards are being sent out to all not feeling well or needing a bit of "sunshine". Barbara Underwood had an infection in her new knee that will require additional surgery and Jane Haggard is not doing well either. Cards are welcomed by both.

Website: Carol noted we have had over 3,000 hits on our website. A correction to the 2019 Board member list was noted and will be taken care of right away.

Welcome: No report

Old Business:

Member Prep vs. Teacher Prep: Discussion was held regarding who should do the prep work for Chapter classes. It was noted changing 2019 would be difficult, but Rosanne stated she would contact each teacher and solicit their preference. Currently we are paying our teachers \$125 plus \$7 per surface. In addition those teachers traveling a significant distance are paid mileage one way.

2019 Ways and Means: See topic above.

Meeting Potlucks Revisited: See topic above.

New Business:

TV and Installation at Faith Lutheran Church: Marilyn Hinman suggested DQT purchase another television for installation at the Church for use during our meetings. After much discussion it was determined that due to the drop in attendance at our Chapter meetings, this item would be tabled until we can see how future attendance increases.

2019 Christmas Party: See topic above.

2019 Egg Exchange Proposal: See topic above.

July Meeting/Community Project: Diana mentioned that we will be painting boxes for Today's Woman Foundation at our July Chapter meeting. She and Janet are spearheading this community project and a "nice" dinner will be furnished along with door prizes. They also mentioned a possible silent auction with Quail Eggs may take place. The next Board meeting will be held February 5, 2019 with a place to be determined.

A motion was made by Rosanne Scholey and seconded by Marilyn Hinman to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Schatz
Secretary